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Re: C & D Recycling Site RI/FS

Dear Larry:

Enclosed for your reference and update on EPA's participation in the RI/FS at C & D are various documents from our Community Relations files pertaining to this site. The July 14, 1988 letter from EPA to Sharon Rohrbach summarizes the Agency's response to the citizens' group requests made during the most recent group meeting. The June 18, 1988 package from Jane Sulima is basically fuel for her argument that burning operations involving lead materials continued at the site's main building up through 1980; that such burning potentially spread contamination toward her property; and, that our present scope of on and off-site soil sampling should be amended using wind rose data (loci) centered on the facility building as well as the old furnace. She has also included information regarding the Lurgan Corporation's operating characteristics for our reference.

The remaining correspondence involves our latest communication with Mrs. Sulima, from both our Public Affairs Office and the Regional Administrator's Office. You will also see a copy of EPA's response to these letters. As you can tell from this package, our recent work has obviously focused upon communicating project specifics to the citizens. With the pending delivery of data packages from the completed sampling at C & D, we can anticipate additional work in this arena.

I have been in contact with Mr. Jim Blasting (FCH) regarding the status of the on-site work and a time frame for when the data from the initial sampling will be validated and forwarded to EPA. He updated me on the tank removal activities, his new contact at PADER, and his projections for work to be done while we wait for data to come back from the lab. Mr. Blasting intends to compile a list of the changes which have been made to the RI Work Plan and QAPjP throughout the course of our work at the site. We commend this action, and anticipate that EPA will receive a copy of this list for our records. A summary list of the changes is a more appropriate form of documenting revisions than including statements in the monthly status reports. This summary will be very useful for all parties involved in this project.

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We anticipate that a meeting between AT & T, Fred C. Hart, and EPA may be needed to discuss two issues of concern for this RI/FS. The first issue involves the coordination of the next round of residential well sampling (17 wells to be sampled by EPA's oversight contractor) with the on-site monitor well sampling to be completed by Hart. The timing for this sampling was originally projected for late September - October. Please let me know if this is still an accurate projection, or if you have a more clearly defined schedule for this work. It is essential that you and Hart provide EPA with a written account of the sampling method and specific protocols followed during the first round of residential well sampling so that a consistent approach can be used in obtaining this data. If there are any questions regarding this request, please feel free to call.

The second issue for consideration will be the "Interim Data Evaluation" stage which we are now entering. Once the data packages from the on-site well sampling, rock coring, and in-situ testing are validated and sent to EPA, a meeting may be necessary to discuss our recommendations for the placement of screened intervals in the monitoring wells. The timing for this meeting will remain indefinite until we know the anticipated schedule for delivery of the appropriate data to EPA.

We have recently received a request to attend another meeting with Mrs. Sharon Rohrbach and the Concerned Citizens of Foster Township. Her intentions in scheduling this meeting appear to have arisen based on the group's request for involvement in the decision point on the placement of monitoring well screens. I have explained to Mrs. Rohrbach that we will be unable to project an appropriate time for such a meeting until we know the time frame for the data to be received at EPA. We recommend that AT & T's public affairs staff contact Mrs. Rohrbach once a date has been chosen for this meeting, if you have not already been contacted by the group. If you agree to attend this meeting, it would be advisable to include an individual from your (or Fred C. Hart's) technical staff. It is apparent from speaking with Mrs. Rohrbach that the group is hoping to have their geologist, Mr. Edwin Beamer present in order to discuss geological specifics. They have already requested that EPA include our geologist in this meeting. Perhaps we can coordinate and/or consolidate our efforts at providing appropriate staffing for such a meeting. Please let me know your thoughts on this.

We are awaiting a response to our request for continued contractor support in overseeing the remaining activities under this RI/FS. I should be notified shortly regarding the status of this, and will keep you informed. We anticipate that our oversight contract will be activated in time for the next round of residential sampling, and hope to be able to meet with you and Fred C. Hart prior to such sampling.

For your reference, I would like to inform you that a new Public Affairs Specialist, Mr. Bill Draper (215-597-6180) has been assigned to the C & D site. Please be sure that your public affairs staff is notified of this change.

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I have also enclosed some correspondence from Fred C. Hart which appears to belong to you. Since I already received a copy of this, it seems only logical that an error was made. And last, we have enclosed a copy of data received through EPA's Regional Laboratory for the phenol samples collected by Versar.

Well, I believe that wraps it up for now. Please feel free to call if you would like to discuss any of the enclosed items. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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